

Dear Parents and Carers

What a great Spring term!

I would like to thank all my students for their hard work and determination over the term working in the community, learning online, developing their confidence, completing enrichment opportunities, and completing therapy on or off-site.

Building on our progress, we have a parents/carers meeting on Tuesday 18th April 2023. Your TEP, TIP, or Geographical Cluster lead will be in contact (or will already have been in contact to arrange a 30-minute meeting with each of you on this day). This will be virtual in most cases. Present will be the TEP or TIP and the Geographical Cluster Lead and/or Assessment Manager, Tolu Sawyerr. This will be an important opportunity to review progress and to listen to you and your son/daughter.

Geographical Cluster groups & Assessment groups

To support your student's progress, we have placed your son/daughter into a Geographical Cluster Group (GCG). This is based on the area that you live in. There is one member of staff at CREATE who leads this GCG and in all cases these are teachers. These Geographical Cluster Leads are the members of staff who are your first point of contact after your TEP/TIP.

The Geographical Cluster areas and Leads are:

1. **East London** – Chris Finnetry – Chris.Finnetry@TCES.org.uk
2. **Essex group** – Felicia Agyeman – Felicia.Agyeman@TCES.org.uk
3. **North London group** – Santi Alcon – Santi.Alcon@TCES.org.uk

4. **Hertfordshire group** – Santi Alcon – Santi.Alcon@TCES.org.uk

5. **South & West London group** - Rebecca Sheikh – Rebecca.Sheikh@TCES.org.uk

There are students who are new to CREATE and who are part of the Assessment group led by the Assessment Manager. There are also students who are in our nurture programme, which is led by our cluster lead, Rebecca Sheikh.

Upcoming dates:

- **Staff INSET day – Monday 17th April 2023**
- **Student Induction Day – Tuesday 18th April 2023**
- **First student day back from 9am - 3pm for Summer term - 19th April 2023**
- **TCES Annual Football competition - Wednesday 24th May**
- **TCES Celebration Day - Tuesday 20th June**
- **Exams for Year11/12/13 – From 16th May**
- **Graduation Day - 18th July**

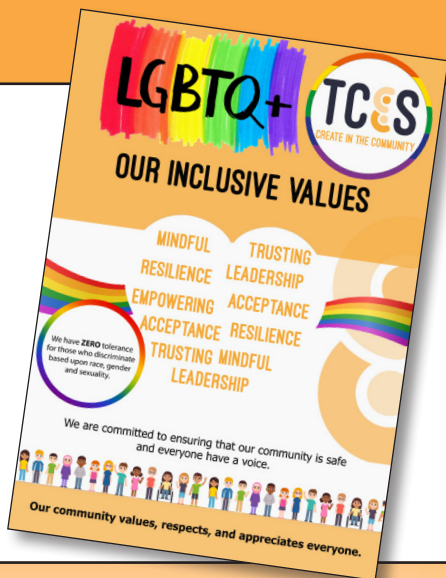
BANK HOLIDAYS:

1st, 8th and 29th May

Student Induction Day

On Student Induction Day members of staff will be meeting virtually with parents/carers to discuss the student's success report, these 30-minute meetings have been planned by TEP's/TIP's and contact details

Stephen Hehir, Head of Services



LGBTQ

We are an inclusive school, and we are committed to ensuring that this school is safe and fun. Where you can be yourself and learn about each other and embrace differences. We wanted to build awareness and show that although we have differences, we can unite as one big family, respecting and appreciating everyone. We designed this poster as a reminder of our inclusive values.

“The whole world would be a whole lot better if we just made an effort to be nicer to one another and love them for whomever they wish to be...”

– Stephen Hehir, Head of Services.

Student Council Poster

We are pleased to announce that Create in the Community will be hosting our own Student Council and every student is invited to be one of its founding members. We believe that our student’s voice matters, and everyone has a voice to be heard. We would like to develop and model teamwork, leadership, and communication skills.

How to apply:

- Step One: Identify a role you would like to do on the Student Council.
- Step Two: Create a PowerPoint presentation expressing your interest in the role and send to Jack Briggs, please email: jack.briggs@TC&Spupil.co.uk.

To include:

- 1) What role are you interested in?
- 2) What skills and qualities do you possess?
- 3) Why would you like this role?

Your Voice Matters **TC&S**
CREATE IN THE COMMUNITY

EVERY STUDENT HAS A VOICE TO BE HEARD.

YOU'RE INVITED!
TO JOIN OUR STUDENT COUNCIL

We are excited to announce that Create in the Community is putting together our Student Council and you are invited to be one of its founding members. This is because you have demonstrated a hardworking attitude and the TC&S Community Values.

The primary needs for a Student Council member are:

- To work with other students for the collective benefit of all.
- To give pupils an opportunity to have their say, be able to voice concerns, make recommendations, request resources, and ask questions.
- To collaborate with senior staff directly to suggest, gather, and work towards positive outcomes for our Create in the Community service.
- To work with the student population, listen to and value their views and present these to staff during council meetings.
- To present student council-related items during assembly from time to time.
- To develop and model teamwork, leadership, and communication skills.

Other information:

- Meetings will run for fortnightly, approximately 45 minutes and we will try to schedule meetings, so they don't interfere with learning time.
- You might feel more comfortable typing responses or making voice recordings rather than speaking live.
- Meetings will be held at our Therapy and LIFE Skills centre; however, we do understand if pupils would rather join virtually via Teams.

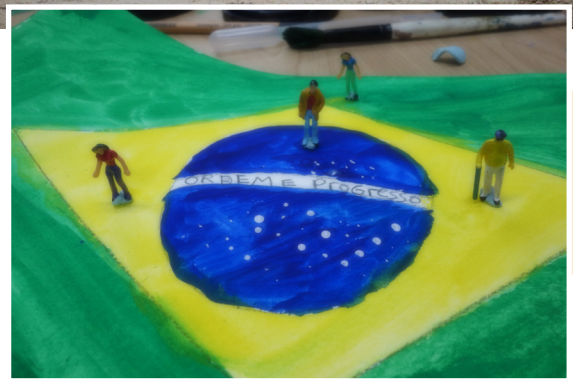
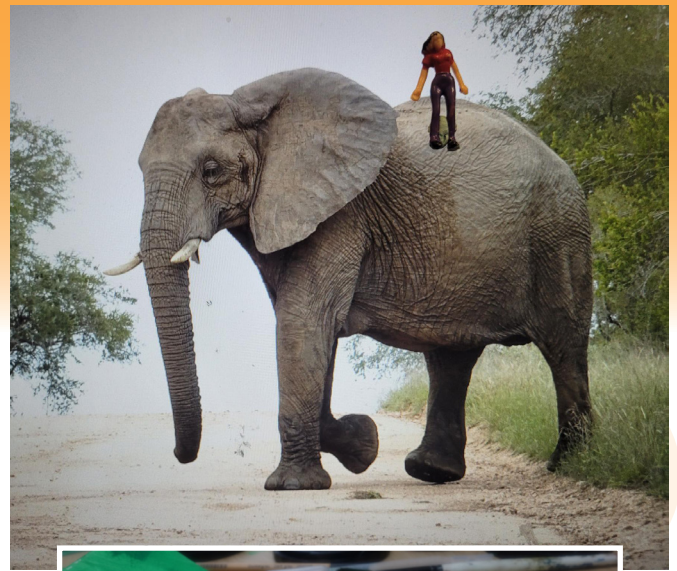
Student Council is going to be a crucial step for all pupils at Create in the Community, please help us make it the best it can be for all its members.

Email: Admin.Create@TC&S.org.uk
Tel: 01708393150
Website: www.tces.org.uk

St Patrick's Day & Comic Relief (Red Nose Day)

Well done to the staff on Friday 17th March 2023 for supporting Red Nose Day and St. Patrick's Day. The best dressed 'red' member of staff and best dressed 'green' member of staff won prizes. Brian Lloyd (TEP) won the St. Patrick's Day prize for wearing green - loved the hat! Shadene Palmer (TEP) won the Red Nose Day award for brightest red. This was a great opportunity for staff teambuilding but also to support these two important charity and cultural events.





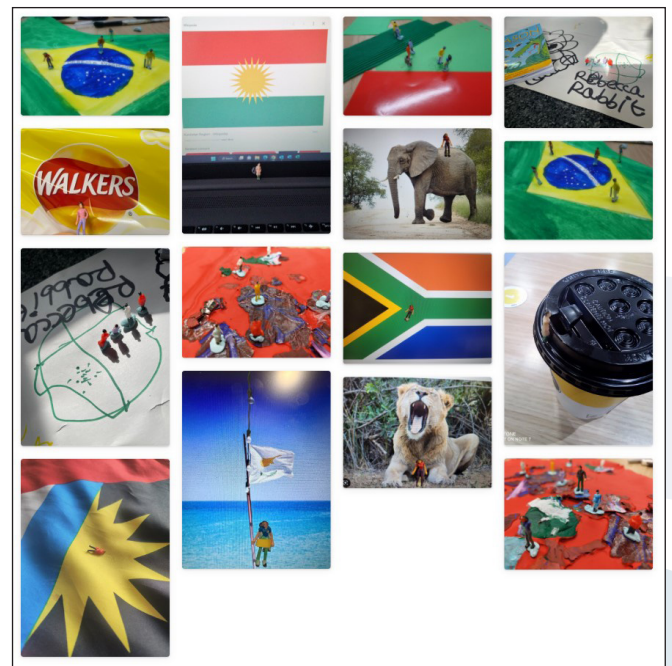
Culture Week

Staff were given the opportunity to select a country that they would like their cluster group to represent throughout the week. To celebrate culture week staff and students wore colour to reflect their selected country theme for lesson activities, trips inspired by culture e.g., Natural History Museum, African Drumming lessons or Dance classes in various styles Latin, African or Asian.

Please see Create in the Community's Cultural week interactive board where our students created artwork from their country flags using miniature characters.



Assemblies were planned at various times for students to engage and participate. Classrooms were decorated by the staff and students to immerse everyone in world cultures. These were demonstrated by activities throughout the week including designing posters, bringing country flags, and exploring food/snacks from the chosen culture.



Neurodiversity Week (Student's Artwork Interpretation)

Neurodiversity Week is about celebrating our unique strengths and differences. It's also a chance to raise awareness and increase understanding of what neurodiversity really means. This gives our students the opportunity to creatively express themselves in such activities i.e., Wall Art, personalised drawings, and other activities that promote inclusion and empathy.

A quote from one of our students: "When a person understands their differences, they can be happy and confident".

A student created an art drawing inspired by neurodiversity. The other faces represent our differences. The peace sign in the bottom left represents how others accept the beauty of being different.



Family council

'Genuine pupil, parent, and staff voice and participation' is a value that runs through our schools and services. We recognise that the empowerment of parents through real parental voice and engagement can be a very effective way to form a strong school community.

Parents and carers of all TCES pupils are welcome to join their school or service's Family Council, in which

they can actively participate in all elements of their child's school life and connect with other parents/carers of complex ASC, SEND, or SEMH pupils.

JOIN THE FAMILY COUNCIL

- **Get involved.**
- **Make a difference.**
- **Have a voice.**

Find out more information [here](#)

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